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FOR: ARA/ECA DIRECTOR ZIMMERMANN FROM AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, PA

SUBJ: PARAGUAYAN AMBASSADOR MIGUEL SOLANO LOPEZ

REF: TELCON ZIMMERMANN/LANDAU SEPTEMBER 22

1. PRESIDENT'S OFFICE CALLED SEPTEMBER 28 AND INQUIRED AGAIN ABOUT POSSIBLE RETURN OF AMBASSADOR SOLANO LOPEZ. AS DEPARTMENT IS AWARE, THE AMBASSADOR HAS BEEN CRITICALLY ILL FOR SEVERAL MONTHS AND IS NOW ON THE POINT OF DEATH. REVERSING HIS ORIGINAL DECISION TO DIE IN THE U.S., HE HAS NOW WRITTEN A TEARFUL LETTER TO THE PRESIDENT EXPRESSING THE HOPE THAT IT WILL BE POSSIBLE FOR HIM TO DIE IN PARAGUAY. HOWEVER, COMMERCIAL AIRLINES HAVE REFUSED TO ACCEPT HIM DUE TO HIS CONDITION. A CLOSE ADVISOR OF THE PRESIDENT HAS APPEALED TO ME ON BEHALF OF THE PRESIDENT THAT THE USG ARRANGE, AS A HUMANITARIAN GESTURE, TO RETURN AMBASSADOR SOLANO LOPEZ TO HIS HOMELAND WHILE STILL ALIVE.

2. YOU ARE IN A BETTER POSITION TO FIND OUT FROM ATTENDING PHYSICIANS THE URGENCY OF THIS REQUEST BUT IN ACCORDANCE WITH WHAT I HAVE BEEN TOLD HERE, HIS DEATH MAY BE QUITE IMMINENT. AMBASSADOR SOLANO LOPEZ IS THE ONLY MALE HEIR OF NATIONAL HERO MARISCAL FRANCISCO SOLANO LOPEZ AND ANY GESTURE ON OUR PART WOULD NOT ONLY BE HUMANE BUT ALSO MOST VALUABLE IN  
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